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- l. Rep. McCormack, House Majority Leader, requested that I talk with him. The question he wished to discuss was the problem of homosexuals in the CIA and one case in particular. The Congressman pointed out that this Agency could not afford to have any such personnel and that he had been informed of this particular case by the press. It was his further information that the Republican Policy Committee had determined to attack CIA in this connection, and that this Agency's friends would be completely defenseless and would be unable to defend the Agency in this connection. I have discussed the matter with the Director, who has authorized me to take certain additional steps with Rep. McCormack.
- 2. Received from office of Sen. Knowland 44 letters in Chinese addressed to the Senator from various Chinese legislators and newsmen on Formosa. Through Mr. Carey have requested FDD, to have same translated for the Senator and have informed the Director that I will dispatch the translations direct to Senator Knowland unless some special factors intervene in connection with individual letters.
- 3. Have requested Mr. Niederlehner, General Counsel, Munitions Board, to supply this Agency with a copy of a letter to the

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Board from Mr. A. A. Berle, Counsel for the American Phillips Radio Company, which letter in part refers to CIA.

4. Mr. Barber, Bureau of the Budget, called to state that the Bureau of the Budget wished to insist on including certain personnel language in the CIA Act rather than merely repealing Section 9 of said Act. He also stated that the Bureau wished a formal statement from the Public Printer either approving or disapproving the proposal that CIA build a new printing plant.